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From: Easterling, Deborah
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2011 9:29 AM
To: 'dbe1670624@aol.com'
Subject: RE: PSC Website Comments:

Dear Mr. Benson,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your email to the Public Service Commission. I am forwarding your email to our Clerk's Office for processing. Your email will become a part of Docket No. 2011-271-E and will be posted on our website under this docket.

Please let me know if you should require any additional information.

Sincerely,

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From: dbe1670624@aol.com [mailto:dbe1670624@aol.com]
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To: Contact
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Subject: PSC Website Comments:

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Dear Sirs,
I would give Duke Power the requested rate increase by all means!. They have said let the people eat cake. I guess they are planning to give us cake in the field.

During WWII The American Red Cross decided to charge soldiers on the battle field with condiments such as coffee, cigarettes, etc. I would compare this request for a rate increase in this economy to that type of endeavor. Duke will turn around and place flyers in your bill envelope suggesting how you can cut back on power usage or conserve electricity. They will also suggest to seniors living on limited income to arrange to be billed in an equal pay plan. This of course means that the conglomerate gets to invest and draw interest off the seniors money during the non peak months. They are also advocates for tree conservation. They would like you to conserve by paying your bill on line with automatic bank draft withdrawal. This will save trees and will save the company money. Lets not forget the kind gesture to hook you up to a load control mechanism. This will give them control over you air conditioning system during high peak times when it's 105 degrees outside. They are suggesting that the old sit under a fan and cool off without using too much energy. They really have their hands on the pulse of the American people don't they!

I really think you should consider a rate increase for this giant corporation. I don't think they should pay higher taxes. Maybe they will create more jobs. If they get this increase... I hope they will stop the three and four day wait periods when we experience power outages.

Lets remember this company's needs to remain competitive when it comes to stock market dividends. If investors don't see a return in dividends, they won't buy stocks.

Please give them the requested 17%. They are promising to give us cake in return. What a sweet unselfish gesture!

David Benson